

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 MEXICO 09576 212232Z

61

ACTION ARA-20

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-20

USIA-15 NIC-01 DRC-01 /100 W  
----- 073837

R 212017Z DEC 73

FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9347

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MEXICO 9576

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR/MX

SUBJECT: MEXICAN LEFT ATTACKS AMBASSADOR JOVA

1. ACCORDING TO DEC. 21 EL DIA, THE POPULAR SOCIALIST PARTY (PPS) HAS CONCLUDED THAT DESIGNATION OF AMBASSADOR JOVA WILL "STIMULATE FORCES OF RIGHT AND EXTREME LEFT." ACCORDING TO UNIDENTIFIED PARTY SOURCES, PPS FURTHER CLAIMS THAT HE "IS A RENOWNED CIA SPY". AFTER ALLEGING THAT JOVA INTERFERED IN CHILEAN POLITICS, INCLUDING GIVING 20 MILLION DOLLARES TO ANTI-ALLENDE FACTIONS, ARTICLE CREDITS HIM WITH HAVING BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR "ALL REACTIONARY COUPS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES" DURING TIME WHEN HE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH UNITED FRUIT COMPANY. PPS FURTHER STATED THAT "MEXICAN GOVERNMENT IS NOT OBLIGED TO ACCEPT DIPLOMATS WHOSE CONDUCT IS REPROACHABLE, MUCH LESS WHEN THEIR ANTECEDENTS DO NOT SUIT COMMON INTERESTS, AND FURTHERMORE WHEN THEIR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES RREPASS ON THE SOVEREIGNTY AND EMANCIPATING STRUGGLE OF THE MEXICAN PEOPLE. ACCORDINGLY, THE PPS DECLARES HIM PERSONA NON GRATA IN OUR COUNTRY AND CALLS ON REVOLUTIONARY FORCES TO TAKE THE SAME STAND. IF HE IS FINALLY ACCEPTED, HE MUST BE SUBJECTED TO STRICT VIGILANCE".

2. AN EVEN MORE VICIOUS ATTACK, AUTHORED BY GASTON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MEXICO 09576 212232Z

GARCIA CANTU, WAS PUBLISHED IN DEC. 21 EXCELSIOR. CONTENT

IS SIMILAR ENOUGH TO RAISE POSSIBILITY THAT EL DIA ARTICLE WAS ESSENTIALLY AN ABSTRACT OF GARCIA CANTU'S THINKING (HE HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH PPS FOR SOME TIME.) IN HIS ARTICLE, GARCIA CANTU STATED THAT APPOINTMENT OF AMABASSADOR JOVA "SIGNIFIES ONE MORE CHALLENGE FROM NIXON GOVERNMENT. IF WE UNDERSTAND THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH JOVA WILL CARRY OUT HIS QUESTIONABLE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES, WE EVEN MIGHT TERM IT A POLITICAL PROVOCATION...FACISM FOSTERED AND STRENGTHENED BY THE US CARRIES TO THE ULTIMATE CONSEQUENCES THE DESTRUCTION OF THE LIMITED FORMS OF BOURGEOIS DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA..." AFTER STATING THAT UP VICTORY IN CHILE STIMULATED OFFENSIVE AGAINST DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS, GARCIA CANTU STATES "MEXICO IS NOT AND CANNOT BE AN EXCEPTION TO THIS NEW NORTH AMERICAN ORDER...AS OF NOW CONDITIONS FOR A MILITARY COUP IN MEXICO DO NOT EXIST NOR DOES THE 'RIGHT' HAVE ANY REAL FORCE, DESPITE THE SUBVERSIVE HELP AND COOPERATION OF NORTH AMERICAN AGENTS..." AFTER FURTHER ALLUDING TO MEXICAN INTERNAL PROBLEMS, WRITER STATES THAT "FAILURE OF POLITICAL OPPOSITION VIS-A-VIS NATIONAL GOVERNMENT MAY HAVE DETERMINED THE DEPARTURE OF AMBASSADOR MCBRIDE. HIS SPEECH IN ACAPULCO WAS A CALL TO STRUGGLE AGAINST NATIONAL INTERESTS. THE EFFECT IT HAD WAS THE MOST ADVERSE ACHIEVED BY ANY AMBASSADOR... MCBRIDE IS NOT KISSINGER'S MAN. WHAT IS NEEDED NOW IS A POLITICAL AGENT, A PROVOCATOR OR CONFLICTS, AN EMISSARY OF NORTH AMERICAN FACISM; AND BY HIS ANTECEDENTS JOSEPH JOHN JOVA IS THIS INDIVIDUAL."

3. ARTICLE CONTINUES BY TRACING BRIEF HISTORY OF 1964 ELECTIONS IN CHILE, ATTRIBUTING TO AMBASSADOR JOVA OBJECTIVE OF MANIPULATING THE RIVALRY BETWEEN CONSERVATIVES AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS; "TO UNITE THOSE FACTIONS IN A BELIEF THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR NORTH AMERICAN INTERESTS IN CHILE AND LATIN AMERICA...TO BLOCK THE ASSUMPTION OF POWER BY ALLENDE...JOVA'S MISSION IN CHILE WAS TO DRAW THE RIGHT TOGETHER IN A SINGLE FRONT... IT WOULD BE INEXCUSABLE ERROR TO SUPPOSE THAT A POLITICAL AGENT HAS SUPERHUMAN FACULTIES... THE THREAT HE REPRESENTS IS IN RELATION TO THE ACTUAL POWER OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE DEPENDENCY FORGED AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 MEXICO 09576 212232Z

FAVORED BY CONTEMPORARY GOVERNMENTS IN OUR COUNTRY..." GARCIA CANTU CONCLUDES BY STATING THAT "DARK TIMES ARE AHEAD. WHAT THE RIGHT HAS LACKED, I.E., AND AGENT TO UNIFY ANTAGONISTIC GROUPS, DRAWS NEAR. FURTHERMORE, THIS LABOR COINCIDES WITH THE SUCCESSION OR ELECTION OF THE FUTURE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO....SO FAR AS JOVA IS CONCERNED, I WILL HAVE TO DENOUNCE WHAT HE DOES AGAINST MEXICO."

4. COMMENT: PPS, ALTHOUGH NOMINALLY AN OPPOSITION PARTY, IN REALITY WORKS IN CLOSE HARMONY WITH PRI ON ALMOST ALL ISSUES. IN THE PRESENT CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, PPS HOLDS ONLY 10 SEATS, ALL OF THEM "DIPUTADOS DE PARTIDO" OR SEATS GARNERED THROUGH PRO AUSENATIONAL REPRESENTATION SYSTEM. PPS WON ONLY MINIMAL SUPPORT IN JULY 1973 ELECTIONS. OPPOSITION FROM THIS FACTION, WHILE VOCAL, IS NEITHER UNEXPECTED NOR APT TO HAVE MUCH REAL IMPACT. GARCIA CANTU'S ARTICLE LIKEWISE REPRESENTS THE VIEW OF SINGLE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS HISTORY OF LONG ASSOCIATION WITH LEFTIST AND MARXIST CAUSES.

5. EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD DEIGN TO ENTER INTO DIALOGUE WITH GARCIA CANTU, ALTHOUGH USIS WILL CONTINUE TO PLACE FAVORABLE ARTICLES.

6. COPIES OF BOTH EL DIA AND EXCELSIOR ARTICLES BEING POUCHED TO ARA/MEX AND MAILED TO AMBASSADOR JOVA.

7. WITH REGARD THIS MORNING'S TELECON BETWEEN AMBASSADOR MCBRIDE AND PHIL TORREY, THE MATTER OF JOVA ARTICLES DID NOT COME UP IN TODAY'S PRESS CONFERENCE.  
MCBRIDE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 21 DEC 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** garlanwa  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973MEXICO09576  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** MEXICO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19731211/aaaaahol.tel  
**Line Count:** 138  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ACTION ARA  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** garlanwa  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 23 JAN 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <23-Jan-2002 by boyleja>; APPROVED <13 FEB 2002 by garlanwa>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** MEXICAN LEFT ATTACKS AMBASSADOR JOVA  
**TAGS:** PFOR, MX  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005